

Attorney Docket No.: GPCI-P02-109

REMARKS

Applicants have filed this amendment in response to a telephone request by the Examiner on March 29, 2004 for applicants to submit a complete listing of the claims showing the amendments that applicants made on April 14, 2003.

Upon entry of this amendment, claims 1-27, 34, 49-52, 63-77 will constitute the pending claims in the present application. Applicants have canceled claims 28-33 and 35-48 without prejudice to their right to pursue the subject matter of these claims in another application. Claims 7 and 9-11 are directed to non-elected species and are withdrawn from consideration.

Applicants note that in the Request for Continued Examination filed on October 10, 2003, Applicants requested that the previously filed amendment be entered. However, Applicants indicated that said amendment had been filed on June 13, 2003. However, as indicated to the Examiner by the undersigned, the date of the Amendment was April 14, 2003, as a Notice of Appeal and not an amendment was filed on June 13, 2003.

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CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the pending rejections. Applicants believe that the claims are now in condition for allowance and early notification to this effect is earnestly solicited.

If there are any other fees due in connection with the filing of this submission, please charge the fees to our **Deposit Account No. 18-1945**. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 not accounted for above, such an extension is requested and the fee should also be charged to our **Deposit account**.

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Respectfully submitted,

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